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## POLICE INVESTIGATE SHOOTING/UNINTENTIONAL DISCHARGE

**PURCELLVILLE, Va. August 19, 2020** — The Purcellville Police Department responded on August 18, 2020, to a reported accidental shooting in the 100 block of W. O Street, which occurred at approximately 10:53 p.m. The victim stated he was unloading his gun when he unintentionally discharged the weapon, injuring himself in the process. Officers assisted the male until medical personnel arrived and transported the individual to a local INOVA hospital for non-life threatening injuries due to a single gunshot. Due to the nature of the wounds, the incident is currently being investigated by the Loudoun County Sheriff's Office.

## The Town of Purcellville, Virginia

"Purcellville-your small Town, where history and progress intersect and people prosper," is an award-winning town of over 10,000 residents located in Loudoun County, approximately 50 miles west of Washington, DC. Having received the prestigious Siemens Sustainability Award for Small Communities, Purcellville continues to be honored for its green initiatives with most recently being the Tree City USA recipient for the 12th year. The Town was reaffirmed as a AAA rated community by S&P Global Ratings, the highest credit rating possible, and is recognized as one of the safest towns in Virginia. Once a stop along the W&OD rail line, which has been converted to a multi-use trail from Alexandria, VA to Purcellville, the Town has maintained its historic old-town feel through the restoration and maintenance of its many downtown structures, reflecting the Victorian architecture popular during the early 1900s. Today, Purcellville is the economic hub of western Loudoun County and a popular weekend destination for antiquing, equestrian activities, farmer's markets, wineries, breweries, distilleries and restaurants. More info at www.purcellvilleya.gov.